

On the Dial

Rain Drop: Barnes Out at WMZQ

Dallas Revisited

Programs across the dial today offer a range of discussions and theories on what happened 25 years ago today, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas.

Columnist Jack Anderson will join WWRC morning men Ed Walker and Bruce Alan to discuss the possibility of Fidel Castro's involvement in JFK's death; at 9 a.m., WWRC's Joel A.

Spivak's guest, David E. Scheim, will argue that the Mafia may have been responsible for Kennedy's death. WAMU-FM's (88.5) Diane Rehm show begins an hour early—at 9 a.m.—and will feature NPR's Daniel Schorr; Allan Lichtman, an American University history professor who will talk about Kennedy's impact on the presidency in the '80s; and Frederick Goodwin, a National Institute of Mental Health psychiatrist, who will contrast social and political attitudes of the '60s and the '80s.

"The MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour" continues its essay series commemorating the 25th anniversary of John F. Kennedy's assassination tonight with a reflection on how Dallas has changed since November 1963, by Texas writer and historian A.C. Greene, who was an editor at the Dallas Times Herald 25 years ago . . .

Tomorrow, Robert Maynard, publisher of the Oakland Tribune, considers how JFK and Martin Luther King's "combined abilities and forces galvanized a nation" . . .

Thursday evening, art critic Amei Wallach considers how JFK influenced the art world . . .

And on Friday, Roger Rosenblatt, editor of U.S. News & World Report, asks the question "Is JFK Really Dead?" . . .

HIGHLIGHTS

- Part VI of "War and Remembrance" on WJLA.
- "Killer Instinct" and an NBC News Special, "JFK: That Day in November," on WRC.
- "Garfield's Nine Lives" and "Spies, Lies and Naked Thighs" on WUSA.
- The Capitals and the Islanders and Part I of "On Trial: Lee Harvey Oswald" on WDCA.
- "That Was Then ... This Is Now" on WTTG.

Sports

NHL Hockey. Washington Capitals at New York Islanders (Channel 20 at 8).

Public Broadcasting

Evening Exchange. "Local Sports Issues." One hour (Channel 32 at 7 p.m.).

Nova (CC). "The Light Stuff" follows an MIT team's flight of a human-powered airplane between two Greek islands. One hour (Channel 26 at 8).

The American Experience (CC). In Part VIII, "Geronimo and the Apache Resistance," historian David McCullough profiles the Apache Indians of the Southwest, based on the diaries of an anthropologist. One hour (Channel 26 at 9).

Global Rivals (CC). In Part IV, "Decade of Opportunity," a panel of experts discusses East-West relations for the future. One hour (Channel 32 at 9).

How Do You Thank Anyone for a Heart? A documentary on the work of heart surgeon Denton Cooley includes interviews with transplant patients. One hour (Channels 26 and 32 at 10).

Primetime Movies

Killer Instinct (CC) (1988). Melissa Gilbert portrays a young psychiatrist who's pressured into releasing a disturbed man from an institution; viewer discretion is advised. With Woody Harrelson. Two hours (Channel 4 at 8).

That Was Then ... This Is Now (1985). Emilio Estevez stars in the story about a delinquent teen-ager's relationship with his adoptive brother; based on the novella by S.E. Hinton. Two hours (Channel 5 at 8).

Spies, Lies and Naked Thighs (CC) (1988). Government agent Harry Anderson uses a married couple's apartment while he tracks down a female assassin. With Ed Begley Jr.

and Linda Purl (Channel 9 at 9).

Animated Special

Garfield's Nine Lives (CC). Garfield travels through history as he recalls his nine lives, dating back to his Cave Cat days. One hour (Channel 9 at 8).

NBC News Special

JFK: That Day in November (CC). Tom Brokaw anchors a report on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy and its effect on America, including interviews with Kennedy's former colleagues. One hour (Channel 4 at 10).

Miniseries

War and Remembrance (CC) (1988). In Part VI, Pug spends time with Rhoda in Washington then travels to Moscow; Slote continues to point out the plight of European Jews; Byron returns to the Moray under Aster's command; and Churchill meets with Roosevelt in Casablanca. With Robert Mitchum, Polly Bergen and Ralph Bellamy. Two hours 20 minutes (Channel 7 at 9).

Series

Who's the Boss? (CC). Tony shares memories of his late grandfather with Angela (Channel 7 at 8).

Roseanne (CC) and Dan get into an argument over her sister Jackie (Channel 7, 8:30).

Late-Night Special

On Trial: Lee Harvey Oswald. In Part I of two, Geraldo Rivera hosts a mock trial in which witnesses to President John F. Kennedy's assassination are cross-examined; with film footage from Dallas. Three hours (Channel 20 at 11).

Wednesday Morning

Today. With author Erika Jong and Citicorp CEO John Reed (Channel 4 at 7 a.m.).

Good Morning America (CC). With Phil Collins and Steve Guttenberg (Channel 7 at 7).

CBS This Morning. With Neil Simon and Nora Ephron (Channel 9 at 7).